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## **EOC Spot Report West Fertilizer Plant Explosion**

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### **US Environmental Protection Agency Report as of 10:30 EDT, April 17, 2013**

**Overview:** An explosion at a fertilizer plant has rocked the town of West, north of Waco, causing multiple injuries and leaving people trapped and buildings on fire, according to multiple reports. Several firefighters were injured among the explosion at the West Fertilizer plant shortly before 8 p.m. (Central Time), according to the *Waco Tribune-Herald*. Evacuations of the area are now underway while crews try to get those fires under control. The cause of the explosion is still under investigation.

**State, Local and other Federal Agency Actions:** Multiple emergency response agencies are engaged in fire-fighting and public safety activities.

**EPA Actions:** A Region 6 OSC has been deployed and is en route to the scene.

**Media Interest:** HIGH

<http://www.kxan.com/dpp/news/texas/explosion-at-west-texas-fertilizer-plant>

The HQ EOC will continue to monitor and provided updates as needed.

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